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Automobiles for [REDACTED]

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1. The 28 March memorandum from the Chief, FE, if approved, could be construed to authorize automatic payment of automobile transportation costs to [REDACTED] for all employees assigned there. I do not believe that this was the intent and would not agree with it if it were.

2. To my recollection the basic determination was the need for more official transportation. If established, the need might be fulfilled by transportation of personal cars in a number sufficient to fill the official needs. This I would agree to as being a practical solution, putting the Government to less expense than procurement and transportation of its own cars. The Agency specifically has been granted the authority under P.L. 110 to expend funds for transportation of its employees in Government-owned automotive equipment between their domiciles and places of employment where their duties make such transportation necessary.

3. Of course, it might be necessary in some cases to choose which employee could take his car at Government expense and which would have to pay his own expenses. Also, the employee who has his costs reimbursed should realize that this means official duties have first call on his car. These are administrative problems that should be clearly kept in mind.

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